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Title: Microstructure for Particle and Cell Separation, Identification, Sorting, and Manipulation	:		

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Response corresponds to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Communication having an electronic notification date of 2 April 2010. Because this Response is being filed on or prior to 2 May 2010, no fee is believed due.

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner identifies two Groups of claims and requires restriction to one of the two Groups. In response, the Applicant respectfully elects the claims of **Group I, corresponding to claims 2-19 and 31-34** for prosecution on the merits.

The Applicant respectfully believes that the claims of non-elected Group II (claims 20-25 and 28-30) recite the device recited in claim 31, and that these claims should be rejoined, examined, and allowed if claim 31 is found to be allowable.

The Applicant respectfully contends that each of elected claims 2-19 and 31-34 is in condition for allowance. The Examiner is requested to indicate allowance for these claims, rejoin, examine, and allow non-elected claims 20-25 and 28-30, issue a Notice of Allowance for each of claims 2-25 and 28-34 at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully submitted,

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